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La. Warden Cites 'Army' in Killing

ANGOLA, La., April 19 (UPI)—Black convicts who say they are the "Vanguard Army" inside the Louisiana state penitentiary are blamed by the prison warden for the murder of one white guard and the fire-bombing of another.

"We have some people that are doing real long sentences that want to consider themselves political prisoners," Warden C. Murray Henderson said Tuesday. "But I can't see how rape, armed robbery and murder are political crimes."

Henderson said a sit-down strike by kitchen workers drew guards away from a dormitory of hardened criminals, allowing some convicts to catch guard Brent Miller, 23, alone and stab him to death with homemade knives.

Miller, who was white, was found on a dormitory floor Monday. He had deen stabbed 32 times. The previous day, a group of black convicts threw a crude fire-bomb at another white guard, burning him on the head.

"We have about 30 ringleaders of the militants locked up, Henderson said. "out of the 30, we have about four or five prime suspects."

Prison authorities Tuesday intercepted a typewritten letter to a Baotn Rouge, La., newspaper, signed: "The Vanguard Army, long live the Angola prison involvement."

The letter's authors took credit for setting the guard on fire Sunday, and said other violent acts would follow. The letter blamed prison conditions at Angola as much on an apathetic public as on "the racist pigs who hold us captive."

Ombudsman Named For Minn. Prisons

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ST. PAUL, Minn., April 19 —Theartice Williams, 47, a black civic leader, has been named ombudsmon of Minnesota's prison system

Williams, director of a black community center and one of the founders of the Minneapolis Urban Coalition, will have authority to investigate complaints and to initiate his own investigations. He was promised "complete access" to the system, but will not have power to review or change sentences.

Williams will report directly to Gov. Wendell Anderson, a Democrat, who yesterday appointed him to the $23,000 a year post, financed by the Department of Justice money